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Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway
NH 275: A Designer's Perspective

Sir,

Apropos to the recent press statements by politicians and articles regarding the Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway (NH 275), being a Designer and a Project Management Consultant of roads, I highlight the following for easy understanding of a common man.

V.N. Prasad

1. Construction of highways in our country has many complexities like timely acquisition of lands, realignment of existing services, demolition of structures within the Right Of Way and umpteen more.

2. They are seldom addressed completely before handing over the site to the contractor. 3. Meaning thereby that the 'Approved Work Programme' is severely subjective and seldom achievable.

4. Progress of each item in the Bill of Quantities is subject to handing over of stretches completely — measurable logically with respect to committed deployment of machinery and manpower resources.

5. Under the circumstances, politicians announcing "Time of Completion" sounds bizarre, to say the least.

6. It will be more appropriate for the Team Leader and the

Resident Engineers of various sections to give out statements and not politicians. **7.** Even to this date, significant quantities of structures, earthworks, subgrade and pavement works are still pending on the main carriageway, till Mandya. Dasaras come and go. **The relevant question is, "are the works being carried out qualitatively."**

8. Pushing for progress invariably results in sacrifice of Quality Assurance and Control procedures. I am not sure if mandatory tests as per Ministry of Road Transport and Highways in the prescribed frequency are being carried out.

9. I say this because the long stretch in and around Ramanagara (wearing course) **seems to have developed undulations.** This reflects lack of adequate compaction of layers (generally every layer of earthworks shall not exceed 250 mm in thickness).

10. Also, the Ramanagara zone is full of hard rock; and earthworks on hard rock are tricky.

11. I also feel that "backfilling" of a few structures are inadequately compacted and hence have sunk. If so, resurrecting them will be a humongous task.

12. Geometric designs in some elevated sections are poorly conceived; resulting in poor judgement of drivers and thereby causing accidents.

13. Rumblers (white wavy stripes) are provided to caution the drivers approaching steep/sharp curves. Whereas most rumblers are friendly, the ones as we approach Bengaluru are not rumblers but HOWLERS; very rough on shock absorbers/ suspensions.

14. I am not very sure if design factors for cross drainages (culverts and bridges) have been scrupulously checked for "ONE-IN-HUNDRED-YEAR" storms. I say this because of the washing away of a few stretches in the recent rains. **If my observation is right, it is an issue of DPR (Detailed Project Report) consultants and may have serious ramifications if cross drainage works (for example, pipe culverts, RCC box culverts, minor bridges and major bridges) need redesigns and reconstructions.** So, a lot seems to unfold as the years go by.

Now, a word of serious caution for drivers on this highway.

1. Such highways are generally designed for 80 - 100 kmph. Lane width is 3.50 mts; deemed sufficient to keep the design vehicle within the lane width at design speeds. For excessive speeding, road geometrics are poor to stick to lane discipline; **as you tend to swerve out in curves. 2.** Drivers need to be conscious of "which lane to use at what speed."

3. I am afraid our drivers are callous, bordering idiosyncratic. I have seen autorickshaws driving on "kerbside lane" and two-wheelers snaking through all the lanes mindlessly. **4.** Also, overloaded trucks drive at low speeds on kerbside lane, severely obstructing lighter vehicles to abide by lane discipline. **5.** As a result, passenger cars and LCVs keep jumping all over the three lanes causing confusions, accidents and deaths. Already several serious accidents have occurred on NH 275.

6. So my strong advice as a designer of highways is:

A. Never contemplate covering the distance in 90 minutes — a senseless goal that will expose you to accidents every minute. **B.** Never criss-cross lanes sharply. **C.** Always watch the rear-view mirror constantly and while swapping lanes do it, as gradually as possible. **D.** Be mindful of high concrete "Side Walls" on elevated sections which you are most likely to brush at high speeds. They seem too close to the lane edge. **E.** Invariably, accidents on such roads are not only fatal but also involve multiple vehicles. **F.** Frankly, the country is NOT equipped with Governments and DPR Consultants to design efficient Highways that theories assume. **G.** So, be cautious the moment you hit the Highway.

—V.N. Prasad, Retired Highways Designer and Project Management Consultant

NOTE: *All things considered it seems there is much for course-correction in the works of NH-275. No wonder, Union Road Transport and Highway Minister Nitin Gadkari is going to personally inspect the Highway.* *See report on Page-6.***—Ed**

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Prahlad Modi accident case: FIR filed against driver

Mysuru, Dec. 29 (BS)- Even as Prahlad Modi, the younger brother of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, gave a clean chit to the driver, the Mysuru South Police have booked the chauffeur for rash and negligent driving.

Prahlad Modi and three of his family members suffered injuries after a Mercedes Benz car they were travelling in, rammed a road divider at Kadakola, near Mysuru on Dec. 27.

While Prahlad Modi, his son Mehul and daughter-in-law Jinal escaped with minor injuries, his six-year-old grandson Maharth suffered a fracture in his left leg.

According to the copy of the FIR available with *Star of Mysore*, "The FIR (0280/2022) has been filed against 46-year-old driver N. Sathyanarayana who has been booked on charges of rash and negligent driving under IPC Sections 279 and 337." He is a resident of Bengaluru and the car belongs to one Rajashekar, also from same city.

Sources said that Sathyanarayana drove the car on that day as Rajashekar's regular driver was on leave. As soon as Prahlad Modi's family members touched down at Kempegowda International Airport at Devanahalli in Bengaluru on the night of Dec. 26, it was Sathyanarayana who picked them up in the high-end car and dropped them at Kumara Krupa Guest House in Bengaluru. Though Sathyanarayana returned home late, he had to pick the visiting VIPs early in the morning the next day at 6.30. He later took them to Rajashekar's house for breakfast, before embarking on a journey towards Bandipur in Chamarajanagar by road.

Sources said, it looked like Sathyanarayana was sleep-deprived and this would have caused the accident. He is an experienced driver and was well-versed in handling the steering, the source added.

[Prahlad Modi returns: See report on Page-3]

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Mysuru, Thursday 29th December 2022

PM-SVANidhi Mahotsava on Jan. 3

Mysuru, Dec. 29 (SSM) - The Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) has organised PM-SVANidhi Mahotsava for street vendors at Dasara Exhibition Grounds in city on Jan. 3 from 10 am to 6.30 pm under Deen Dayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Urban Livelihood Mission (DAY-NULM).

The main aim of the programme is to identify street vendors, encourage and felicitate them and also to create awareness about cleanliness and hygiene to them.

During the day-long programme, cultural events, sports and various competitions have been organised along with short-film screening about DAY-NULM Scheme for the street vendors and their family. Training about transactions and other details will be imparted from the banks. Aahara Mela (Food Fair), display-cum-sale of products by Self Help Groups and successful stories of PM-SVANidhi Scheme will be showcased.

Children of street vendors who have scored more than 85 percent in SSLC, more than 75 percent in PUC and Degree courses will be given incentives. Also, Identity Card and licence for street vendors will be distributed for street vendors. Street vendors of MCC limits may take part in the programme and make use of it, according to a press release from the MCC Additional Commissioner.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

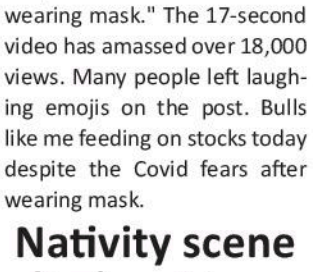
India's healthcare system on Tuesday went through a mock drill to cope with a scenario where COVID cases surge. It's a sensible thing to do and fits with the test-track-treat-vaccinate-behaviour package that represents India's current COVID strategy. A day ahead of the mock drill, Karnataka became the first State to make masking mandatory in public places. However, this mandate is not accompanied by fines for violations. Simultaneously, the State Government spelt out guidelines for the service industry in view of the rise in business expected this week on account of New Year celebrations.

A speedy rollout of vaccination in the second half of 2021 was perhaps the most effective measure of the policy to combat the pandemic. However, the performance this year when it came to the booster dose has been disappointing on account of complacency all around. To illustrate, WHO data shows that India's boosted 16.16 people for every 100, while the global average is 30.23. The lacklustre performance on boosters is not on account of vaccine shortage. Bharat Biotech, which in November received regulatory clearance for its intranasal vaccine for both primary series and heterologous booster, observed recently that there's a lack of demand for vaccines. With the intranasal vaccine priced at Rs. 325 per dose for bulk procurement by Governments and Rs. 800 per dose in the private market, the COVID strategy should double down on persuading eligible people to get boosted. In addition, there's a case to consider reinforcing protection for India's frontline workers.

The nature of a pandemic always calls for caution. That however does not mean that policy tilts towards overreaction. Measures such as the mock drill, masking mandates and enhanced vaccination drive should be the priority. This approach will keep infections under check without derailing economic growth. *—In The Times of India*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Beak-shaped mask to eat



Beijing: China, which until recently had a Zero Covid-19 policy that was marked by extensive quarantines, vigorous testing, and stringent travel restrictions, is currently dealing with its biggest coronavirus outbreak.

A video of a man eating with a beak-shaped mask has gone viral on the internet which has surprised many users. In the video, a man can be seen eating at a restaurant. The face mask seems to have been created from paper in the form of a large beak and supported by threads. Whenever he eats, the mask opens like a beak, much like any other birds with beaks. The video was posted by Safir on Twitter. It has been captioned as, "Bulls like me feeding on stocks today despite the Covid fears after wearing mask." The 17-second video has amassed over 18,000 views. Many people left laughing emojis on the post. Bulls like me feeding on stocks today despite the Covid fears after wearing mask.

Nativity scene display at Iowa

Iowa: A collection of 2,539 nativity scenes currently on display at an Iowa bank might could break two Guinness World Records. The Hills Bank in Washington is currently hosting the display of 2,539 different nativity scenes, a collection belonging to Michael Zahs.

Zahs said he has been collecting the nativity scenes since the 1950s and they come from more than 100 different countries. He said it took about six weeks to set all of the scenes up at the bank.

"I like to have people come and look at the details. You can look at the exhibit for the scripture part of it, you can look at it for the materials, the artwork. Much of these are handmade, some of them are very historical," Zahs told. The current record largest collection of nativity sets was set at 1,802 in 2009, while the record for largest display of nativity sets was set at 2,150 in 2010.

HEALTH CAPSULE

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KSRTC Bus Pass renewal for differently-abled

Mysuru, Dec. 29 (SSM) - Karnataka State Road Transport Corporation (KSRTC), Mysuru Division, will renew the concessional bus pass issued to differently abled persons from Dec. 28, 2022 till Feb. 28, 2023, at City Bus Stands in K.R. Nagar, H.D. Kote, Saragur, Hunsur and Mysuru City.

Also the city bus pass issued to differently abled persons in the year 2022 has been extended till Feb. 28, 2023.

Applications may be submitted at the Seva Sindhu Portal by logging on to http://sevasindhuservices.karnataka.gov.in.

Later, the beneficiaries have to bring copy of the filled-in form, their Identity card, Aadhaar card, UDID (Unique Disability ID) Card, two stamp size photographs, photocopy of 2022 bus pass and pay Rs.660 to get their bus pass renewed, according to a press release from the KSRTC Divisional Controller, Mysuru City.

Rapid midnight survey of homeless from today

Mysuru, Dec. 29 (SSM) - The Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) will be conducting rapid midnight survey of homeless, which is a third person survey by NGOs that will be taken up under Deen Dayal Antyodaya Yojana - National Urban Livelihood Mission (DAY-NULM) 2021-22 Ashraya Sub-Unit to identify homeless people in MCC limits. The survey will be held today (Dec. 29) and tomorrow (Dec. 30) from 11 pm to 4 am (overnight).

During the two-day survey, three NGOs will conduct survey at all the MCC Zonal Office limits. However, all the civic organisations, various Departments of the Government, Non-Government Self Help Groups, Community NGOs and general public are sought to make the rapid survey a successful one, according to a press release from the MCC Additional Commissioner.

REALLY...?

- ***Leopards are renowned for their agility. They run up to 58km/h and can leap 6m horizontally and 3m vertically. They are also very strong swimmers.***
- ***Leopards tend to have distinctive dark spots called rosettes, which create beautiful patterns against their otherwise light fur. Black leopards however have dark fur which makes it difficult to see the spots. They appear almost solid black and are often called black panthers.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Tourists in Chicago Museum of Natural History are marvelling at dinosaur bones.
Tourist: *Can you tell me how old the dinosaur bones are?* ***Guard:*** *They are 3 million, 4 years and 6-month-old.*
Tourist: *That's an awfully exact number. How do you know their age?*
Guard: *Well, the dinosaur bones were three-million-years-old when I started working here, and that was four-and-a-half-years ago !!*

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VOICE OF THE READER

Give priority for basic road repairs and pothole-filling

Sir,

This refers to the letter titled ***'Prioritise road repairs in city; then go for Peripheral Ring Road'*** by Kala Chary of Bogadi, on Dec. 11. The letter rightly pointed out to give priorities to thousands of roads inside city limits — like crossroad/ feeder roads to Main Roads that are not repaired for road cuttings, road humps etc.

Our elected representatives like the MP and the MLA of NR Constituency should pay a visit to see the conditions of these roads. Because of potholes and unscientific roads, major accidents are happening and the victims are mainly two-wheelers. Especially areas in and around Bhavani Temple, Masjid-E-Mubeen and Rajendranagar Circle in N.R. Mohalla are causing inconvenience to two-wheelers in particular and senior citizens, children and disabled persons to walk through in general.

Under such circumstances is it not the priority of the Government and other authorities to set right the existing roads and pavements on a war-footing rather than go for Peripheral Ring Roads? If Mysuru should become a Cleanest City, let the Government priorities be people-friendly basic amenities than macro-level projects.

— Dr. H.S. Sadath Ali Khan
Mysuru
27.12.2022

Ramdas holds meeting on education of differently-abled children

Mysuru, Dec. 29- To co-ordinate and promote the academic activities of differently-abled children, K.R. Constituency MLA S.A. Ramdas held a meeting with officials at the Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar Hall of Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) here recently. The meeting deliberated on the ways and means to encourage differently-abled children, to provide a suitable environment for learning and to engage them in academic activities.

Speaking at the meeting, Ramdas said it has been decided to use the new block built by the MCC in K.G. Koppal Govt. School premises, for running a specially-abled child care centre.

Noting that the MCC will be entrusted with the responsibility of providing necessary equipment to the centre, he said that the maintenance of the building will be taken care of by Women and Child Development Department.

MCC Commissioner G. Lakshmikantha Reddy, MCC Deputy Commissioner Roopa, Executive Engineers Madhusudhan, Ranjit Kumar and Sathyamurthy, DHO Dr. K.H. Prasad, Taluk Health Officer Dr. Rajeshwari, Srikantashastri of Education Department, Women and Child Development Department Officer Madhusudhan, Department of Differently-abled Welfare Officer Malini, AYUSH Officer Prashanth and other officials were present.

Prahlad Modi and family return to Ahmedabad in special flight

Prahlad Modi seen with Youth Empowerment and Sports Minister K.C. Narayanagowda, Mysore Airport Director R. Manjunath and others yesterday at the airport.

Mysuru, Dec. 29 (RK&BS)- The family members of Prahlad Modi, the younger brother of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, returned to Ahmedabad in Gujarat, in a special flight from Mysore Airport at Mandakalli here yesterday night.

The special flight carrying Prahlad Modi, his son Mehul Modi, daughter-in-law Jinal Modi and grandson Maharth Modi took off from the Airport here at 7.35 pm. They left after being discharged from JSS Hospital here, where they were admitted on Tuesday (Dec. 27) for the injuries suffered, after a Benz car they were travelling in met with an accident near Kadakola on Mysuru-Nanjangud Highway at about 1.30 pm.

They decided to call off their plan to visit Bandipur (enroute to which they met with the accident) and return home at the earliest, as Prahlad Modi's mother Heeraben Modi fell ill and is hospitalised in Ahmedabad.

Prahlad Modi, who spoke to media persons a few hours before the news of his mother falling ill reached here, had also hinted at returning home, after discharge today. In the morning, Prahlad Modi's daughter and son-in-law offered prayers to Goddess Chamundeshwari at Chamundi Hill temple.

Earlier, District Minister S.T. Somashekar had called on Prahlad Modi and his family members and enquired their health at the Hospital.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Job oriented training

Samarthanam Trust for the Disabled has invited applications from differently-abled persons to avail free three-month job-oriented training. Those who are physically disabled, visually and hearing impaired and aged between 18 and 30 years are eligible to apply. Applicants must have a pass in SSLC. Free food, study materials and accommodation will be given. Certificates will be provided after the training. For details, call Mob: 94498-64693, 80683-33999 or 63648-67818, according to a press release from the Trust's Mysuru Division Convenor M. Shivaraju.

Light music prog.

Kuvempunagara Nivasigala Kshmabhivrudhi Sangha has organised a light music programme near Kuvempu Statue in Kuvempunagar, Mysuru, today (Dec. 29) at 7 pm. District Kannada Rajyotsava Awardee Kavitha Kamath and team will be singing songs composed by Rashtrakavi Kuvempu, according to a press release.

Elected

R. Somanna

S. Aravinda Kumar

R. Somanna and S. Aravinda Kumar have been elected as the new President and Vice-President of Sri Lakshmi Vividoddesha Shakara Sangha Niyamita, Mysuru, respectively, according to a press release from the Sangha Secretary.

WATER LEVEL

KRS DAM

Maximum	:	124.80 feet
Today	:	119.06 feet
Yesterday	:	119.20 feet
Inflow	:	1,977 cusecs
Outflow	:	3,831 cusecs

KABINI DAM

Maximum	:	2,284.00 feet
Today	:	2,271.28 feet
Inflow	:	531 cusecs
Outflow	:	Nil

HARANGI DAM

Maximum	:	2,859.00 feet
Today	:	2,827.93 feet
Inflow	:	152 cusecs
Outflow	:	75 cusecs

CID probe ordered: Former N'gud Tahsildar among 16 booked

Nanjangud, Dec. 29 (BS)- A criminal case has been booked against 16 persons including former Nanjangud Tahsildar Naveen Joseph for providing compensation to non-beneficiaries at Nanjangud Town Police Station.

The State Government has ordered the Criminal Investigation Department (CID) to probe into the complaint of granting compensation for nine non-eligible persons for the lands acquired by Karnataka Industrial Areas Development Board (KIADB) at Himmavu village in Nanjangud taluk.

According to the complaint lodged by incumbent Tahsildar Shivamurthy of Nanjangud, the following persons are named as accused. They are-former Chairman of Karnataka Land Tribunal Krishnamurthy, former Nanjangud Tahsildar Naveen Joseph, who was also the Member-Secretary of the Tribunal, former officers RRT Shirastedar Ramesh Babu, Revenue Inspector Shivaraju and Village Accountant Venkatesh and beneficiaries, who got compensation on the basis of false documents.

The beneficiaries who received compensation after producing false documents are P. Krishnananda Girigoswamy, Bheeshma Pitamaha, Satyabhama, Kuldeep Prakash, Bheeshma Pitamaha's daughters Shobhadevi, Hemalatha, Nisha Sharma, Anjana Sharma and Vijayalakshmi and Pratheep Magtu. They had got the khata done by providing false family tree details.

They have been booked under IPC Sections 406, 409, 420, 465, 468, 471, 120B and 149 and Section 192 of Karnataka Land Revenue Act 1964.

Details of the case: The lands in survey numbers (390 to 422 and 424) at Himmavu in Chikkaiahana Chatra hobli in Nanjangud taluk are in the name of Krishnananda Girigoswamy. When Karnataka Land Reforms Act was introduced, Krishnananda Girigoswamy had submitted a declaration letter to the Government. Accordingly, a case was before the Land Tribunal to decide over the extent of land belonging to the family.

The Tribunal in its order dated Aug. 06, 1993 had fixed 10 units for the each of the family members totalling 40 units, for Krishnananda Girigoswamy, Bheeshma Pitamaha, Satyabhama and Kuldeep Prakash. However, the High Court had quashed the order directing the Tribunal for re-inquiry.

After conducting the inquiry again, the Tribunal upheld the previous order on May 28, 1999, only to be quashed by the High Court on Dec. 18, 2006 ordering for an inquiry again. Interestingly, the Tribunal, apart from the 40 units of land allotted to four in its earlier order, allotted 50 more units to the daughters of Bheeshma Pitamaha — Shobhadevi, Hemalatha, Nisha Sharma, Anjana Sharma and Vijayalakshmi — totalling 90 units of land to the family. KIADB which had acquired the said lands had issued compensation to the owners.

However, the Accountant General of Audit had taken exception citing that ineligible beneficiaries have been given compensation, following which the State Government ordered for a CID probe on Dec. 7. As the CID can launch a probe only if a complaint is lodged at the local Police Station, Nanjangud Tahsildar Shivamurthy lodged a complaint at Nanjangud Town Police Station.

Mysuru Tahsildar fined Rs. 25,000 for not providing info under RTI

Mysuru, Dec. 29 (MK&BS)- State Information Commissioner H.C. Sathyan has imposed a penalty of Rs 25,000 on Mysuru Taluk Tahsildar B. L. Girish for failing to honour the order of the Commission to provide information to an applicant under Right to Information (RTI) Act.

Advocate S.T. Sadananda Gowda had submitted an application to the Tahsildar on Oct.20, 2019 for the non-availability of certificate related to the death of a physically challenged person's father. However, there was no response from Tahsildar's Office even after waiting till Feb.9, 2020. However, when the advocate went and enquired at the Tahsildar's office following day (Feb.10, 2020), he was told that the said application has been transferred to the respective office.

Following this, Gowda had lodged a complaint with the Karnataka Information Commission, Bengaluru, against the Tahsildar for failing to furnish the required information within the stipulated time of 30 days under the Information Act.

As the Tahsildar failed to provide the information, which amounted to dereliction of duty, The Information Commissioner imposed the fine on the Tahsildar.

Pawn broker who had cheated customers of crores of rupees nabbed in Rajasthan

Nemichand Ram

Mysuru, Dec. 29 (MK&KS)- A pawn broker, who had cheated his customers of crores of rupees by allegedly fleeing with gold ornaments and silver articles that were pledged by the customers, has been arrested by Kuvempunagar Police in Rajasthan.

The arrested pawn broker is Nemichand Ram, who was running Maruthi Pawn and Jewellery Shop near Vivekananda Circle in city. A lot of people had pledged their gold jewellery and silver articles and many had invested for monthly lucky dip scheme with him.

Nemichand Ram was conducting business since about eight years, but one fine day, he fled from the city along with his family members and pledged gold and silver. Those who were cheated had lodged complaints with Kuvempunagar Police on Nov. 9 and 19. The Police, who had registered a case, searched Nemichand in Bengaluru and Rajasthan.

The Cops were successful in tracing him and finally arrested him at Jaipur and have brought him to Mysuru for questioning. Kuvempunagar Inspector Arun guided Sub-Inspector Radha, ASI Muraligowda, Constables Manju and Putta in the nabbing operation.

Miscreants steal Rs. 2.25 lakh items, Rs. 15,000 cash from hardware shop

Mysuru, Dec. 29- Burglars who broke into a hardware shop have decamped with items worth Rs. 2.25 lakh and Rs. 15,000 cash on Dec. 25.

The burglary took place at Bhavani Hardware and Paints shop on Chikkanahalli Road in Yelwal village.

Surendrakumar, who was running the shop, closed the business for the day on Dec. 25 night and went home. When he came the next morning, he found the lock of the shop broken and on inspecting the shop, he found Rs. 2.25 lakh items and Rs. 15,000 cash stolen.

A case has been registered at Yelwal Police Station.

Chain snatched at J.P. Nagar

Mysuru, Dec. 29 (MK&KS)- Miscreants have snatched a gold mangalya chain from a woman at J.P. Nagar in city. The woman, who lost her gold chain, is Devamma, a resident of Bhuvaneshwari Layout in J.P. Nagar.

Devamma was walking near J.P. Nagar Apollo Pharmacy, when miscreants, who came from behind snatched the gold chain worth Rs. 80,000 she was wearing and fled from the spot.

A case has been registered at Vidyaranyapuram Police Station.

Obituary

Mary Fletcher

Mysuru, Dec. 29- Mary Fletcher (90), a retired Principal of Blue Nile School and a resident of Kuvempunagar, passed away this morning in city.

She leaves behind two sisters and a host of relatives and friends.

Funeral will be held at the Catholic Cemetery on Mahadevapura Road in Gandhinagar at 9 am tomorrow (Dec. 30), according to family sources.

Lakshmamma Sanjeevaiah

Yelandur: Lakshmamma Sanjeevaiah (78), wife of Sanjeevaiah (retired employee of the Forest Department) and a resident of Maddur village in the taluk, passed away on Wednesday at the village.

She leaves behind four children including former MLA S. Balaraj, retired Yuvaraja's College Principal Dr. Rudraiah, retired Sericulture Department officer S. Suresh, daughter Annapoorna, son-in-law retired Director of the Department of Public Instruction K. Ramaiah and a host of relatives and friends.

Lakshmamma, who joined the Health Department in 1966 as an Auxiliary Nurse and Midwife (ANM), had served for 38 years in the Department. She was popularly called as 'Nursamma' and served in various villages in Yelandur.

Last rites were held at the village, according to family sources.

Several organisations stage protest in city

Dead rat in plate, irate Gangothri Hostel inmates

Mysuru, Dec. 29 (MTY&BS)- Scores of inmates of the hostel attached to University of Mysore in Manasagangothri campus staged protest yesterday, after a dead rat was found in the breakfast served to a student.

The irate students, who gathered near the statue of Kuvempu at the main entrance of the campus, staged a sit-in demonstration till afternoon, holding the authorities concerned for ransom for sometime.

The carcass of a rat was found in the plate of breakfast served to an inmate at the block 'A' of the hostel. Some of the hostel inmates who already had their breakfast, got enraged and resorted to protest along with the container of the food and also the plate where the dead rat was found.

They raised slogans alleging grave negligence on the part of the hostel authorities, ignoring the health of the students. The hostel also lacks hygienic environ and substandard and expired ingredients are used to prepare the food. Besides, there is no drinking water facility, causing severe hardship to the students. Despite submitting several memoranda, the authorities have not bothered to redress the grievances, they alleged.

Addressing the protesters, Nataraj, President of Manasagangothri Research Scholars Association said, "Though some of the inmates have fallen sick after eating breakfast, they are out of danger. The officers should take measures to serve quality food, as the inmates are from underprivileged sections of the society."

Acting VC of UoM Prof. H. Rajashekar, who also visited the spot, succeeded in convincing the protesting hostel inmates to call off their stir. The VC, who lent a patient hearing to their demands, also promised to address them by taking up reforms at the hostel.

Shivanna, Paramjyoti, Goutham, Chetan, Kiran, Rohan and other students took part.

Ten students who ate the breakfast were taken to the Primary Health Centre in Manasagangothri campus. After tests, no major complications were found in their health. However, measures are taken to monitor their health condition. The other students who hadn't had their breakfast were not subjected to health test.

— Dr. B. S. Chandrashekar, Student Welfare Director

Students seek Government Engineering College in District

Mysuru, Dec. 29 (MTY&BS)- Students from various Colleges staged a protest demanding sanctioning of Government Engineering College to the District.

The students, who raised slogans under the banner of All India Democratic Students Organisation (AIDSO), at Ramaswamy Circle here yesterday, demanded that the Government Engineering College should be opened in the district. Basic infrastructure facilities should be provided at all Government Colleges, followed by scholarship on time and hostel and bus facilities connecting the rural areas.

For the last 68 years, AIDSO is involved in inculcating the ideals of great personalities among the students. The organisation is also making constant efforts towards saving the Government Schools and Colleges.

AIDSO District President Subhash, Vice-President Asiya Begum, District Secretary Chandrakala, Executive Committee member Swati, Nitin, Hemalatha, Chandrika, Chandana and others took part in the protest.

ASHA workers want more monthly honorarium, other facilities

Mysuru, Dec. 29 (MTY&TRR)- Demanding the scrapping of payment through Reproductive Child Health (RCH) portal, increase in honorarium and implementation of their other demands, ASHA workers staged a mammoth protest recently.

Hundreds of workers of Karnataka Combined ASHA Workers Association, who arrived from various parts of the district, assembled in front of Deputy Commissioner's Office and urged for fulfilment of demands.

"We worked like warriors during COVID-19 and earned appreciation from the public, State and Health Departments. Many international organisations including World Health Organisation (WHO) have also recorded their appreciation. During the last 13 years, we are sincerely discharging our duties of creating awareness about mother-child health in urban and rural areas, importance of hygienic in rural areas and have also participated in various surveys. We are functioning as a bridge between the general public and the Health Department. But for all these services, we are not getting the honorarium fixed by the Union Government and though we are protesting across the State in this connection, our problems remain unsolved," bemoaned the protestors.

Demanding that payment through RCH portal should be scrapped after December 2022, they urged the Government to fix an honorarium of Rs.12,000 per month including all honorariums. "The financial loss incurred by ASHA workers due to the snags in RCH portal, should be paid as arrears. The honorarium of urban workers is not in compliance with additional workload and increased cost of living. Hence, they should be increased. The lumpsum amount of Rs. 20,000 being given at the time of retirement or voluntary retirement, should be raised to Rs. 3 lakh on the lines of West Bengal Government and the sick allowance should also be increased.

Midday meal workers demand fair share from Government

Mysuru, Dec. 29 (MTY&BS)- Urging for fulfilment of various demands, midday meal *(bisi oota)* workers staged a protest in city yesterday under the banner of Karnataka Rajya Samyukta Akshara Dasoha Karmikara Sangha near Deputy Commissioner's Office here. They said "the women workers are the backbone for the effective implementation of *bisi oota* programme at Government and aided schools across the State, for the past 20 years. It has also helped in eradicating malnutrition among children."

There are an estimated 1.18 lakh workers in the State, but they aren't paid according to their work. Besides, they are deprived of allowance for seniority in service, lump sum amount at the time of retirement, pension and paid maternity leave and medical facilities, they alleged.

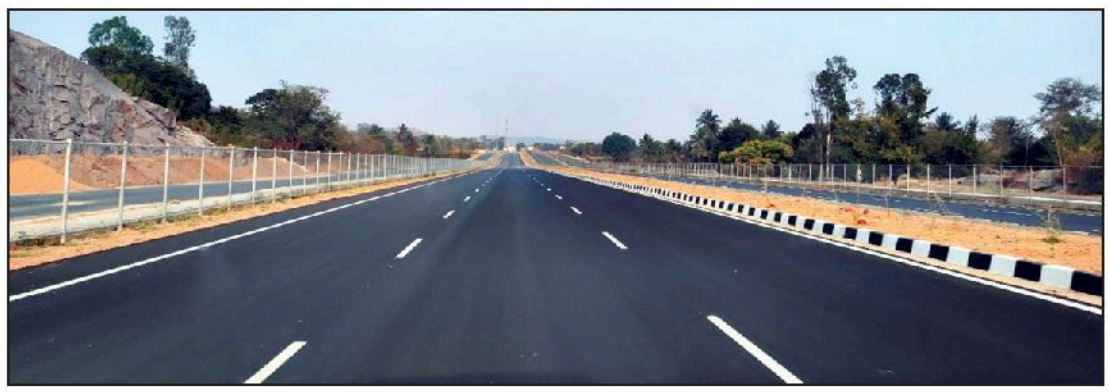
The programme is in force across the country and hence they should be considered as Government employees. They should be provided with minimum pay, health cover, EPF, ESI, pension, uniform and other facilities. Besides, the service of workers should be regularised and those who work even during holidays should be paid double salary. Upon retirement, the workers should get a lump sum of Rs. 5 lakh, they demanded further.

State Secretary of the Association P.S. Sandhya, Geethamma, Mahadevamma, Kumari, Rajeshwari, Manjula and others took part in the protest.

Quality, entry-exit on Mysuru-Bengaluru Expressway

Nitin Gadkari to personally inspect Highway on Jan. 5

Construction quality verified by independent third-party: PWD Minister



Bengaluru, Dec. 29 (KMS& BCT)- Following complaints of unscientific design and development of the 10-lane Mysuru-Bengaluru Expressway, Union Road Transport and Highways Minister Nitin Gadkari will personally travel on the road and inspect the design on Jan. 5, 2023. The Expressway is 117.3 km long and has a main carriageway of six lanes and has two service roads of two lanes each on either side.

Nitin Gadkari

Public Works Minister C.C. Patil yesterday informed the Legislative Council that Gadkari was scheduled to inspect the Expressway on Jan. 5 and he will take a call on remedial actions on the Expressway that has been built by the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI).

Replying to a question raised by JD(S) MLC Marithibbegowda during the question hour, Patil said that unprecedented rains, encroachment of stormwater drains, non-removal of silt and debris led to severe flooding of the parts of the Expressway in August this year. Patil also invited Marithibbegowda to accompany Gadkari during the road inspection to highlight the issues.

"Karnataka has received excess rainfall, 2 to 3 times more than the normal rainfall and as a result, water flow was high. Due to heavy rains, water overflowed from the lakes and entered the Expressway. This problem was compounded by encroachments and silt deposits," the Minister explained. He added that the State Government has asked the NHAI to clear the choke points and clear encroachments of stormwater drains.

Entry and exits in Mandya, Channapatna, Ramanagara

Marithibbegowda wanted to know from the Minister on the reasons why people of Mandya, Channapatna and Ramanagara have been denied access to the Expressway. "People of Mandya, Maddur, Channapatna and Ramanagara have to travel long distances to use the Expressway. Entries and exits have not been provided at suitable places and they are facing hardships," he said.

Minister Patil replied, "This Expressway is an access-controlled road and was primarily built to connect the two cities of Bengaluru and Mysuru. I am aware that people of Ramanagara, Channapatna, Mandya and Maddur want their towns to be linked with this project. But it may not be possible."

The MLC noted that it was the people of Mandya, Channapatna and Ramanagara, who had sacrificed their lands for the project and the very same people have been denied entry and exit to the Expressway, he said. Responding, Patil said that he would request the NHAI for entries and exits at suitable points. "But I am not too sure if my request will be accepted," he added.

Marithibbegowda also said that the quality of the Expressway was not up to the mark and already the much-touted road is witnessing many accidents as many stretches are uneven. To this, Minister Patil said that the State had ordered a third party to assess the quality of the Expressway and the independent assessment had vouched for the quality of work and there were no doubts on that.

Mysore Airport runway expansion project. Administrative glitches

Utilise Rs. 100 crore to clear land acquisition hurdles: MP

Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha discussing with KSSIDC Special Land Acquisition Officer Priyadarshini during a progress review meeting on Tuesday as another official looks on.

Mysuru, Dec. 29 (GA&BCT)- Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha has asked the officials from the **Karnataka State Small Industries Development Corporation (KSSIDC) Limited** to complete the land acquisition process by the end of January 2023 to facilitate extension of the Mysore Airport runway. If the January-end deadline is met, the actual work on the runway expansion can begin from March.

At a progress review meeting with KSSIDC Special Land Acquisition Officer (SLAO) Priyadarshini and other officers on Tuesday, the MP said that the State Government has earmarked Rs. 319.13 crore for the runway expansion project and the second instalment of Rs. 100 crore has already been released.

The first instalment of Rs. 50 crore was released some time ago and works including levelling the areas around 140 metres of the existing runway and freeing the areas of land gradients have already been taken up. "The Rs. 100 crore has been specifically released to acquire additional land for the project and officers must speed up the land takeover," he said.

The Airport is spread over 490 acres and an additional 240 acres and 22.9 gunta land has to be acquired. Of this, the 22.9 gunta land is already under the possession of the Airports Authority of India (AAI) and 11.09 acres is a canal, that is a Government property.

Over 206 acres have to be acquired from private landowners and the State Government has issued a final notification for the acquisition of 160 acres. Notification is pending to acquire 46.22 acres. The Government has fixed the compensation at Rs.1.5 crore per acre.

"I have asked the SLAO to utilise the Rs. 100 crore to address the land disputes wherever in the 240-acre land by depositing the amount in the Court and go ahead with the land acquisition. We have plans to perform the ground-breaking ceremony for the runway expansion in March 2023 and the KSSIDC will give an update on this by Jan. 20," MP Pratap Simha told *Star of Mysore*.

As per the agreement between the State Government and Airports Authority of India, land has to be acquired by the State Government and handed over to the AAI for the works to begin. Initially, the AAI had signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the KIADB for land acquisition. Later, the Cabinet made the KSSIDC Limited as the nodal agency that will oversee and facilitate the transfer of land to AAI and also the Airport expansion works.

At present, the Airport has a single runway of 1,740 metres in length which is only suitable for ATR planes providing short-haul flight operations. Under the expansion project, the length of the runway will be increased to 2,750 metres and 45 metres width that allows jet aircraft such as Boeing 737 and Airbus A320 to land.

Mini Food Park in all districts

State Government to make announcement in its budget of 2023-24: MD of Food Karnataka Limited Mohammed Irfan

Managing Director of Food Karnataka Limited Mohammed Irfan addressing the gathering during an awareness programme on Food Processing, City Municipal Corporation Act, On Boarding ZED Certification and SIDBI Schemes, in city this morning. SIDBI, Mysuru, Manager Logesh, Hon. General Secretary of KASSIA B. Praveen and Member Subramanya are seen.

Mysuru, Dec. 29 (RK&BS)- Managing Director of Food Karnataka Limited Mohammed Irfan today said, "The State Government has plans to build Mini Food Park in each of the districts and has sought required details on infrastructures and other amenities, to announce the plan in the forthcoming budget for 2023-24."

Irfan, who is also the CEO of Karnataka Agri Business Development Corporation, made the announcement during the 'Awareness programme on Food Processing, City Municipal Corporation Act and On Boarding ZED certification and SIDBI schemes, organised by Karnataka Small Scale Industries Association (KASSIA) along with District Industries Centre, at Hotel Ruchi The Prince, Hinkal here.

Irfan said, "The Food Park is being planned to facilitate farmers, traders and other food processing sectors and connected industries. We have to play the role of facilitators to reach the consumers and to promote export activities."

Commissioner of City Municipal Council, Hootagalli, P. N. Narasimhamurthy said, "There are various confusions prevailing among industries in relation to tax slabs. Many still knock on the door of CMC to air their grievances with the common demand being fixation of uniform tax rates. However, it is not possible, as the industries are classified under small, medium and large scale. For example, if the small scale industries are fixed a tax slab of Rs. 5,000, medium scale is fixed Rs. 7,500 and large scale Rs. 10,000. The small scale industries will be paying 50 per cent of the tariff fixed in the case of large scale industries. Hence, to avoid the burden, the tariff of tax is bifurcated under different slabs."

However, Narasimhamurthy promised to clear the confusions if any still, if the industrialists visit his office with grievances.

Joint Director of District Industries Centre T. Dinesh said, "If all the industries avail 'Zero Effect and Defect (ZED) certificate, it will be easy to ensure the quality of the products utilising science and technology. The certificates are classified under the categories of bronze, gold and silver. While the industries can obtain bronze certificate online on their own, there are certain procedures to be followed in the case of other two certificates. It also makes easy obtaining of bank loans and other allied services."

KASSIA President K. N. Narasimhamurthy said, "The storage of food grains is a big challenge as it commands more efforts to ensure that the food products don't go waste."

Explaining about the role of KASSIA in addressing the demands of the community, he said "We have been impressing upon the Government to make changes in the Act as and when there is a demand."

Emphasising on the importance of training programme, he said "There are 5.6 lakh food processing units in the State, with 80 per cent among them being micro units. We have been contributing 30 per cent tax to the Government, besides generating employment opportunities. Hence, the training programmes are imperative to keep abreast of the changes in the realm."

Kuvempu remembered

Mayor Shivakumar garlanding the statue of Rashtrakavi Kuvempu on the occasion of the poet's birth anniversary celebration at Kuvempu Park near Gun House in city this morning. Writer Dr. RaGow, Deputy Mayor Dr. G. Roopa, Corporator B.V. Manjunath, District Kannada Sahitya Parishat President Maddikere Gopal, MCC Commissioner G. Lakshmikantha Reddy and others are seen.

Security stepped up in Mandya for Shah's visit

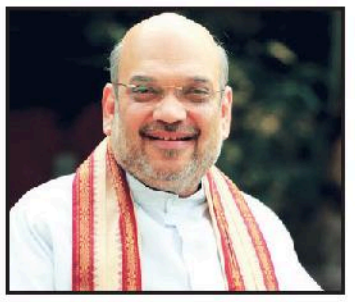
Mandya, Dec. 29 (Mohan Raj& BCT)- Security in Mandya has been beefed up and arrangements have been made for the visit of Union Minister for Home and Cooperation Amit Shah on Dec. 30 (tomorrow) to address a public gathering at Government Boys College grounds on M.C. Road.

The sugar town of Mandya resembles a fortress already ahead of Shah's visit as he comes under 'Z-Plus' category security cover. It is the second highest security provided to VVIPs after the Special Protection Group (SPG) that exclusively secures India's Prime Minister.

The 'Z-Plus' category security cover comprises a pilot/escort, close protection team of armed commandos, home guards, spotter, and search-and-frisking staff, officials said. Shah will travel in a bullet-proof car and will be provided three escort and pilot vehicles as well.

Mandya is the heartland of the politically dominant Vokkaliga community and in the stronghold district of Janata Dal - Secular where the ruling BJP aims to come back to power. His visit has gained significance amid the wait for expansion or reshuffle for Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai-led Cabinet and reservation demand by various communities.

Shah is arriving in Bengaluru today (Dec. 29) at 10.20 pm at the Yelahanka Air Base and will stay at Hotel Taj West End. Tomorrow, he will land at a helipad



Amit Shah

in Mandya at 11 am and at 11.15 am, he will inaugurate the Mega Dairy Complex at Gejjalagere.

Later, he will arrive at Government Boys College Grounds in Mandya and address a public rally — Jan Spandana Yatra. Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai, former Prime Minister H.D. Deve Gowda, former CM B.S. Yediyurappa and other dignitaries will take part.

The Home Minister has a hectic schedule in Mandya and Bengaluru where he is expected to review poll preparedness of the party and discuss the strategy with leaders and Booth-Level workers. After his Mandya visit, Shah will be back in Bengaluru to take part in a Cooperative Convention at the Palace Grounds. Following this he is scheduled to attend a BJP meeting.

On Dec. 31, the Home Minister is scheduled to have a breakfast meeting with party leaders, after which he will be visiting Souharda Sahakari Federation. Thereafter, he is expected to attend BJP's Booth Presidents and Booth-Level Agents' Convention at the Palace Ground, before leaving for New Delhi.

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Resident of Gokulam.

passed away on Tuesday 27.12.2022

Last rites were performed on Wednesday 28th December 2022.

Sorrowed by :
Wife Narmada, Two Sons, Two Daughters and a host of relatives and friends.

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MYSORE TRAIN TIMINGS

FROM MYSURU RAILWAY STATION TOWARDS KSR BENGALURU

Train No.	From Station	To Station	Mysuru Departure	Bengaluru Arrival	Days of Service
16586	Mangaluru	KSR Bengaluru	03.45	06.15	Mon, Wed & Fri
12610	Mysuru	Chennai	05.00	07.45	Daily
16217	Mysuru	Shirdi	05.30	07.55	Monday
17326	Mysuru	Belagavi	05.50	08.40	Daily
06256	Mysuru	KSR Bengaluru	06.10	09.05	Daily Passenger
16215	Mysuru	Bengaluru	06.45	09.35	Daily
16229	Mysuru	Varanasi	07.30	09.55	Tue & Thu
16023	Mysuru	KSR Bengaluru	08.20	10.50	Daily
07345	Chamarajanagar	KSR Bengaluru	09.05	12.50	Daily Passenger
19668	Mysuru	Udaipur	10.00	12.10	Thu [Humsafar Exp]
12975	Mysuru	Jaipur	10.30	12.55	Thu & Sat
12578	Mysuru	Darbhanga	10.30	13.35	Friday
12613	Mysuru	KSR Bengaluru	11.30	14.00	Daily
16315	Mysuru	Kochuveli	12.50	16.35	Daily
20608	Mysuru	MGR Chennai	13.05	14.50	Daily Except Wed Vande Bharat
17307	Mysuru	Bagalkot	13.25	16.30	Daily
06258	Mysuru	KSR Bengaluru	13.45	16.55	Daily Passenger
12008	Mysuru	MGR Chennai	14.15	16.10	Daily Except Wed
16557	Mysuru	KSR Bengaluru	14.50	17.20	Daily
12786	Mysuru	Kacheguda	15.15	17.40	Daily
16535	Mysuru	Solapur	15.45	18.35	Daily
16232	Mysuru	Mayiladuturai	16.30	18.50	Daily
16219	Chamarajanagar	Tirupati	16.55	20.20	Daily
16236	Mysuru	Tuticorin	18.20	20.55	Daily
16592	Mysuru	Hubballi	18.50	21.40	Daily
16210	Mysuru	Ajmer	19.10	22.30	Tue & Thu
16227	Mysuru	Talguppa	19.30	22.55	Daily
06526	Mysuru	KSR Bengaluru	19.50	23.05	Daily
22681	Mysuru	Chennai	20.15	22.50	Wednesday
16022	Mysuru	Chennai	21.00	23.45	Daily
06269	Mysuru	SMVT Baiyyappanahalli	22.20	00.45	Daily
06560	Mysuru	KSR Bengaluru	22.25	01.15	Daily
11065	Mysuru	Renigunta	23.00	01.30	Friday
22818	Mysuru	Howrah	23.45	02.00	Sunday

DEPARTING FROM KSR BENGALURU AND ARRIVING MYSURU

Train No.	From Station	To Station	Bengaluru Departure	Mysuru Arrival	Days of Service from Bengaluru
06270	SMVT Baiyyappanahalli	Mysuru	00.15	04.30	Daily
22817	Howrah	Mysuru	01.10	03.20	Sunday
16218	Shirdi	Mysuru	01.10	03.20	Thursday
06559	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	02.05	05.15	Daily Passenger
16021	Chennai	Mysuru	04.00	06.40	Daily
16220	Tirupati	Chamarajanagar	04.30	07.00	Daily
16228	Talguppa	Mysuru	05.05	08.20	Daily
22682	Chennai	Mysuru	05.25	08.00	Friday
16231	Mayiladuturai	Mysuru	05.45	08.00	Daily
16591	Hubballi	Mysuru	06.00	08.40	Daily
12785	Kacheguda	Mysuru	06.45	09.35	Daily
16235	Tuticorin	Mysuru	07.15	10.20	Daily
16536	Solapur	Mysuru	08.00	10.45	Daily
17308	Bagalkot	Mysuru	08.20	11.45	Daily
16316	Kochuveli	Mysuru	08.50	11.15	Daily
06257	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	09.40	13.30	Daily Passenger
20607	MGR Chennai	Mysuru	10.20	12.20	Daily Except Wed Vande Bharat
12007	MGR Chennai	Mysuru	10.50	13.00	Daily Except Wed
16558	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	11.30	14.00	Daily
12976	Jaipur	Mysuru	13.15	16.00	Wed & Fri
19667	Udaipur	Mysuru	13.35	16.30	Wed [Humsafar Exp]
16024	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	13.50	16.20	Daily
12614	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	15.15	17.45	Daily
07346	KSR Bengaluru	Chamarajanagar	15.35	18.35	Daily Passenger
06525	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	16.50	19.40	Daily Passenger
12577	Darbhanga	Mysuru	17.15	20.00	Thursday
17325	Belagavi	Mysuru	17.45	20.40	Daily
16216	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	18.15	21.05	Daily
16230	Varanasi	Mysuru	18.35	22.00	Mon & Sat
06255	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	19.00	22.15	Daily
12609	Chennai	Mysuru	19.50	22.50	Daily
16585	KSR Bengaluru	Mangaluru	21.00	23.20	Daily Except Friday
11066	Renigunta	Mysuru	23.20	01.35	Saturday
16209	Ajmer	Mysuru	23.35	01.55	Tue & Sun

TOWARDS HASSAN, ARSIKERE, SHIVAMOGGA, DAVANGERE, HAVERI, HUBBALLI, DADAR, NEW DELHI & BACK

Train	From Station	To Station	Departure	Arrival	Days of Service
16206	Mysuru	Talguppa	06.00	13.15	Daily
11036	Mysuru	Dadar	06.15	05.30 (next day)	Sunday (Mysuru)
06268 (Exp)	Mysuru	Arsikere	06.30	10.25	Daily
16208	Mysuru	Yesvantpur	07.15	10.10 (Hassan)	Daily
16225	Mysuru	Shivamogga	10.15	16.25	Daily
16222	Mysuru	Talguppa	14.00	23.30	Daily
06214	Mysuru	Arsikere	17.45	21.50	Daily
12781	Mysuru	Hazrat Nizamuddin	20.10 (Fri)	17.50 (Sun)	Friday
17301	Mysuru	Dharwad	22.30	08.05	Daily
16585	Mysuru	Mangaluru Central	23.15	09.05	Mon, Wed, Sat
06547	Mysuru	Mangaluru Central	23.15	09.05	Tue, Thu, Sun
17302	Dharwad	Mysuru	21.05	07.00	Daily
06213	Arsikere	Mysuru	05.00	09.25	Daily
16226	Shivamogga	Mysuru	11.15	16.50	Daily
16207 (Exp)	Yesvantpur	Mysuru	16.45 (Hassan)	19.55	Daily
06267	Arsikere	Mysuru	17.30	21.15	Daily
11035	Dadar	Mysuru	21.30	21.40 (next day)	Thursday (Dadar)
16221	Talguppa	Mysuru	06.10	15.35	Daily
16205	Talguppa	Mysuru	15.00	22.15	Daily
12782	Hazrat Nizamuddin	Mysuru	05.10 (Mon)	03.30 (Wed)	Monday
16586	Mangaluru Central	Mysuru	18.35	03.00	Tue, Thu, Sun
06548	Mangaluru Central	Mysuru	18.35	03.00	Wed, Fri, Mon

TOWARDS MYSURU TO CHAMARAJANAGAR AND BACK

Train	From Station	To Station	Departure	Arrival	Days of Service
07327	Mysuru	Chamarajanagar	05.00	06.35	Daily Passenger
16220	Tirupati	Chamarajanagar	07.20 (Mys)	09.10	Daily
06233	Mysuru	Chamarajanagar	09.15	10.55	Daily Passenger
06276	Mysuru	Chamarajanagar	12.15	14.00	Daily
06543	Mysuru	Chamarajanagar	15.45	17.20	Daily
07346	Mysuru	Chamarajanagar	18.40	20.40	Daily
07345	Chamarajanagar	Mysuru	07.15	09.00	Daily
16219	Chamarajanagar	Tirupati	15.30	16.45	Daily
06234	Chamarajanagar	Mysuru	17.25	19.15	Daily Passenger
06275	Chamarajanagar	Mysuru	18.35	20.25	Daily
06544	Chamarajanagar	Mysuru	20.45	22.30	Daily
07328	Chamarajanagar	Mysuru	21.30	23.10	Daily Passenger

DECODING MYTHOLOGY

Dr. Devdutt Pattanaik - Author, Speaker, Illustrator, Mythologist

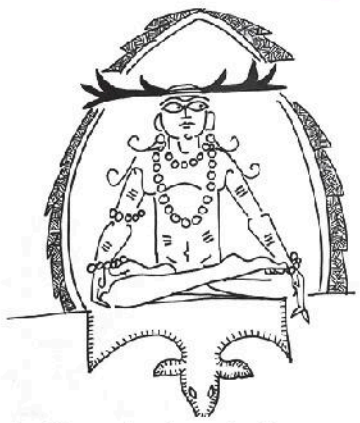
Tales of the Horned Sage

The story of Rishyasringa Muni is found in the *Ramayana*. Dashratha had three wives, but no children. So, he called a sage to perform the ritual that would get him children. The rishi selected was Rishyasringa Muni.

In Odia miniature paintings, Rishyasringa is depicted as having two horns. His father Vibhandaka was a rishi. Vibhandaka was once performing tapasya, and could not control his passions at the sight of an apsara. He spilled his semen on the ground. The semen lay on the grass and a female deer ate it. The doe then gave birth to Rishyasringa Muni, which is why he was born with two horns.

The child was raised without any access to women. The resulting celibacy gave him so much power that he could even stop the rain from falling. This resulted in drought and childlessness in the land. To remove the spell of drought and childlessness, a king had to send a woman to seduce Rishyasringa Muni. Since Rishyasringa Muni had never seen a woman before, he wonders what kind of man he is encountering. The woman then educates him on female anatomy and in the art of erotica. Rishyasringa Muni surrenders to his desires. When the two make love, the hermit loses his magical powers and the spell of drought and childlessness is broken.

In some stories, the woman was the king's daughter and, in other stories, she is a courtesan. The king is Rompada. In some stories, Dashratha is the father who gives his daughter, named Shanta, to Rompada, who turns the horned hermit into a horned householder. Besides *Ramayana,* this story is also found in Buddhist literature, where the sage is called the Ishishinga. Here the story is restricted to the seduction of the sage. It evokes the tension between sexuality



and celibacy, the householder way and the monastic order. It reveals the social cost of monastic power.

Buddhist stories of Rishyasringa Muni were translated into Chinese. They reach Japan where the story of Rishyasringa Muni becomes part of Kabuki theatre. In India, the story of the horned sage seduced by a courtesan is carved on the walls of many Buddhist stupas. In Mathura art, which is over 2,000 years old, is the image of the sage shortly after his seduction, his face looking satisfied and bewildered by the new experience.

As per a Chinese monk, Xuanzang, Rishyasringa Muni lived in the Gandhara region, in the Swat Valley. Today, many people in North India believe that Rishyasringa Muni lived in the Banjar Valley of Kulu, in Himachal Pradesh and his wife, Shanta, was the eldest sister of Ram. The hot-water pond, Rishikund of Bihar, is linked to Rishi Vibhandak, father of Rishyasringa. In South India, Sringeri Mutt is associated with Rishyasringa Muni. Thus, you find the story of Rishyasringa Muni spread across Buddhism and Hinduism. In geography, it encompasses the Kulu and Swat Valleys in the North, Bihar in the East and the Sringeri in the South. An ancient and widespread story indeed.

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Receives Academic Excellence Award

Dr. S.A. Mohan Krishna, working as an Associate Professor in the Department of Mechanical Engineering, Vidyavardhaka College of Engineering, is seen receiving the Academic Excellence Award given by the Centre of Education Growth and Research at Chancery Pavilion, Bengaluru, during the Fifth International Summit on Education recently. He is seen with Ravish Roshan, Director, Centre for Education Growth and Research, Manish Kothari, President, Centre for Education Growth and Research, Karnataka Chapter and others.

Central Sangeet Natak Akademi Awardees
H.R. Leelavathi, Dr. Vasundhara feted

Mysuru, Dec.29 (SPN&TRR)- Versatile choreographer and venerated Guru of Bharatanatyam, Dr. Vasundhara Doraswamy and veteran singer Vidushi H.R. Leelavathi, who have been selected for the Central Sangeet Natak Akademi Awards, were felicitated in city recently.

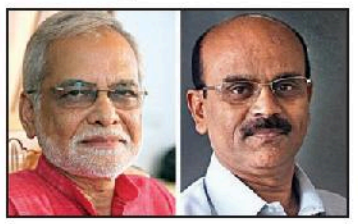
The function was organised jointly by Kala Sandesha Prathishtana, JP Nagar, Mysuru; Brahma Vidya Samsthe, Mysuru and Veena Visweswaran International Foundation, USA, at RamaGovinda Rangamandira in Ramakrishnanagar here.

Dr. Nagamani Srinath, Member of Sangeet Natak Akademi, New Delhi, felicitated both the artistes. Speaking on the occasion, she said "Many members of the Selection Committees of various Akademis in the State and Centre lack knowledge about veteran artistes who have won recognition at National and International levels."

"Veteran artistes are required to prepare a list of their achievements and submit them with suitable documents to various Akademis, for them to be considered for the awards that are announced every year. Then only their names will be considered and this is the prevailing system," lamented Dr. Nagamani.

Internationally acclaimed Veena Maestro Prof. R Visweswaran, renowned Danseuse Dr. Kripa Phadke of Nrityagiri, Dr. R.S. Nandakumar of Brahma Vidya, Sandesh Bhargav of Kala Sandesha Prathishtana, Kartik Visweswaran of Veena Visweswaran International Foundation, were present.

Kendra Sahitya Academy Awardees



Chinnaswamy *Dandavati*

Bengaluru, Dec.29- Kendra Sahitya Academy awards for various categories of Literature were announced recently. The book "Bahutvada Bharata Mattu Bouddha Taatvikate" written by Dr. Moodnakoodu Chinnaswamy, one of the prominent writers of Kannada, has been selected for the award.

Another book "Sita: Ramayanada Sachitra Marukathana" by senior journalist Padmaraja Dandavati has also been selected for Sahitya Academy award under Translation category.

"Bahutvada Bharata Mattu Bouddha Taatvikate" is a collection of essays and is published by Ladai Publications, Gadag.

The book "Sita" written in English by Devdutt Pattanaik was translated into Kannada by Padmaraju Dandavati and is published by Manohari Granthamale, Dharwad.

The main award carries a cash reward of Rs. 1 lakh and a citation whereas translation award includes Rs. 50,000 cash and a citation. The awards will be conferred at a function to be held at New Delhi in March 2023.

Champaka Kalaaratna Award for Lifetime Achievers

Mysuru, Dec. 29 - Central Sangeet Natak Akademi awardees from Mysuru, Dr. Vasundhara Doraswamy, Vidushi H.R. Leelavathi and Prof. Gowri Kuppuswamy were felicitated with "Champaka Kalaaratna" award (including a citation, silk shawl and cash purse) in recognition of their Lifetime Achievements in the field of art by Founders of Champaka Academy, Mysuru, S. Nagarajan and Vidushi P.K. Nagalakshmi (disciple of Dr. Vasundhara), recently at Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha in Mysuru during the felicitation programmes organised by the Sabha to the awardees along with Lalitha V. Murthy endowment programme, sponsored by the daughters of Lalitha V. Murthy and K.V. Murthy.

Dr. Vasundhara performed "Kshaatra Draupadi," a solo dance feature on the occasion.

Nonagenarian Prof. Gowri Kuppuswamy was feted at her residence in Jayalakshmipuram.

T.R. Harish, President of Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha and Administrative Manager, Vasundhara Performing Arts Centre; Dr. M. Jagannath Shenoy, Philanthropist - Industrialist and others were present.

Swaralaya Cultural Festival on Dec. 30

Mysuru, Dec. 29 (SSM) - The Swaralaya Music School, Mysuru, in association with Directorate of Kannada and Culture Department, Bengaluru, has organised Swaralaya Cultural Festival-2022 at Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha on JLB Road in city on Dec. 30 at 4.30 pm.

Music teacher Vid. C. Chethan will inaugurate the programme. Music teacher from Mysuru Vidu. Chandrika will be the chief guest. District Rajyotsava Awardee and Swaralaya Music School Founder-President Vidu. Dr. Suma Harinath will preside.

The stage programme will be followed by cultural events such as tribal dance from School students. R.P. Koushik will give a Classical music vocal concert. He will be accompanied by Vid. C. Chethan on violin and Vid. Shyam on mridanga. It will be followed with a Bharatanatyam recital directed by Jayashree Tolpadi.

For details, call Mob: 99869-61772, according to a press release from the School Secretary H.S. Srikanthamani.

Suttur Jathra Photography contest

Mysuru, Dec. 29 (SSM) - As part of the week-long Suttur Jathra Mahotsava to be held from Jan. 18 to Jan. 23, 2023, a photography contest has been organised in two categories — DSLR camera photography and Mobile phone photography.

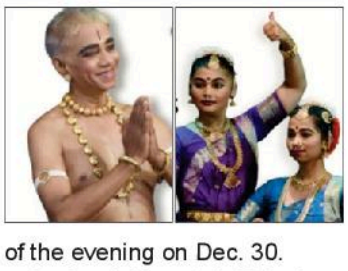
Winners of DSLR camera photography will get cash prizes of Rs. 6,000 (first), Rs. 4,000 (second) and Rs. 2,000 (third). Five contestants will be given Rs. 1,000 as consolation prize. Winners of Mobile phone photography will get cash prizes of Rs. 3,000 (first), Rs. 2,000 (second) and Rs. 1,000 (third). Five contestants will be given Rs. 500 as consolation prize.

Registration must be done before Jan. 10 and photographs must be sent before Jan. 30. Five hard copy pictures of 12x18 inch clicked in DSLR camera and mobile phones must be sent to the Office of Suttur Jathra Mahotsava Samithi at JSS Mahavidyapeetha, Dr. Shivarathri Rajendra Circle, Agrahara, Mysuru, and the soft copy of the pictures must bee-mailed to *jathraphotocompetition@gmail.com*. Certificates will be given to all the participants.

For details, call Jathra Mahotsava Convenor G.L. Tripuranataka on Mob: 96866-77284 or L. Nagendra on 94486-09062.

City Dance Guru to receive Lifetime Achievement Award in Chennai

Mysuru, Dec. 29- Sri Jayakrishna Arts Abode, Chennai, is conducting "Chennaiyal Vaikundam" from Dec. 30 to Jan. 1. The event will be inaugurated by Sri Sivagnana Balaya Swamigal. K. Lakshmi Narayan, Minister of Public Works and Tourism, Puducherry, will be the chief guest



of the evening on Dec. 30.

On Jan. 1, *Karnataka Kalashree*, Dr. K. Kumar, Professor and Head, Department of Dance, Fine Arts College, University of Mysore, will be receiving the Lifetime Achievement Award and will be followed by Bharatanatya performance by him with his daughters, *Kalemane Sisters* Lekha and Nidhi at Shakti Sangeeta Sabha, Chennai, according to a press release.

Siridhanya food items contest at Suttur Srikshetra

Mysuru, Dec. 29 (SSM) - As part of the week-long Suttur Jathra to be held from Jan. 18 to Jan. 23, 2023, a Siridhanya food items contest has been organised at Suttur on Jan. 21.

The annual Krishi Mela has also been organised. As United Nations has announced 2023 as International Year of Millets (Siridhanya Varsha), this year information about the usage of Siridhanya, Siridhanya Expo, conference and competition have been organised as part of Suttur Jathra Mahotsava.

Those interested may visit Indian Council for Agricultural Research (ICAR), JSS Krishi Vignana Kendra (Agricultural Sciences Centre) in Suttur or call Ph: 08221-295018 or Jathra Mahotsava Convenor N. Jamuna Urs on Mob: 99451-02963 or D.R. Deepu on Mob: 97397-93231.

WORD OF THE DAY

Putative

Pronunciation: PYOO-tuh-tiv.
Meaning: Putative is a formal word meaning "generally believed, supposed, or assumed to be (something)." It is always used before a noun.
Origin: There's no need to make assumptions about the root behind putative; scholars are quite certain the word comes from Latin putatus, the past participle of the verb putare, which means "to consider" or "to think." Putative has been part of English since the 15th century, and it often shows up in legal contexts. For instance, a "putative marriage" is one that is believed to be legal by at least one of the parties involved. When that trusting person finds out that their marriage is not sanctioned by law, other putare derivatives—such as dispute, reputed, imputation, and deputy—may come into play.
Example: "The putative protagonist [of Lucy Ives' novel Life is Everywhere] is Erin Adamo, a grad student locked out of her apartment one night in New York City in the fall of 2014." — Nina Renata Aron

THE ODD WORD

Paideutic

Educational method or theory.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Play ducks and drakes

Meaning: To behave recklessly; to idly squander one's wealth.
Origin: Ducks and drakes is the old English name for the pastime of skimming flat stones on the surface of water to make them bounce as many times as possible. There are various names for the game, for example, stone skipping in the USA and stone skimming in the UK; in fact most countries have their own name for it. We doubt that there's a child anywhere in the world who hasn't tried to establish his or her own record. Most people manage seven or eight bounces. But the world record, as endorsed by the Guinness Book of Records, stands at 40. That hardly seems possible, but there is video evidence of Kurt Steiner setting that record in 2002. The pastime surely pre-dates written records. The first known reference to it in print is in The nomenclator, or remembrancer of Adrianus Junius, translated by John Higgins in 1585: "A kind of sport or play with an oister shell or stone throwne into the water, and making circles yer it sinke, etc. It is called a ducke and a drake, and a halfe-penie cake."

QUOTE BOX

Don't quack like a duck, soar like an eagle. **— Ken Blanchard**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

FAR WALK
FAR WALK

Answer: Too far to walk.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:
1 Impertinent
5 __ ___ The Walrus: The Beatles hit (1,2)
8 Speck
12 Dry; barren
13 BSE alternative for share traders
14 Avenged
15 Clutter
16 Evergreen tree
17 Salvador ____ : famous Spanish painter?
18 Moccasin
19 Hidden away
21 Circuit
23 Norse goddess
24 He suffers from morbid self-conceit
28 Follow the ___ : pursue a nautical career?
31 Speak a certain way
32 Bond creator Fleming
33 Apple's music player
34 Large, abbr.
35 Not a consumer of intoxicants
37 Globe or eyeball
38 Jamaican popular music
39 Violent upheaval
44 Small cask
47 Thanks _ __! (1,3)
48 Shoe box letters
49 California valley
50 Tub for soaking
51 Drive or force by heavy blows
52 Nabokov novel
53 Discerns or observes
54 ___ Lanka
55 Taj Mahal city

DOWN
1 A sloping walkway
2 Popular fertilizer
3 Divulge
4 Walsh and O'Neill
5 Facts or data?
6 One never wants to commit one (1,3)
7 Wholesaler
8 It might be gold, silver or bronze
9 Elliptical
10 Far as a prefix
11 Girl's name
19 Certified Public Accountant, in short
20 European Economic Community
22 Unit of current
24 Bend in a pipe
25 Concert
26 They take small bites
27 Indicated Airspeed
28 Uttering
29 Long period of time
30 Air Data Tester
33 Marking fluid
35 Curved line
36 Any doctrine
37 Pledges or promises
39 Taxis in America
40 Wings or winglike parts
41 Betting machine
42 Leap ___ : it has a day more
43 Half (prefix)
45 An Arab prince
46 "A gin" cocktail get you the girl!
49 Mineral spring

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

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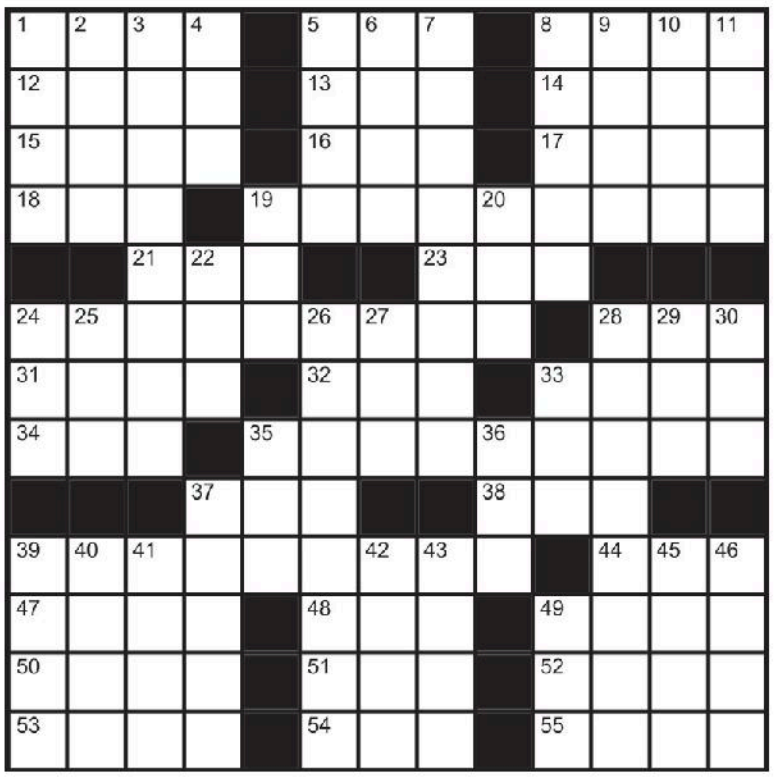

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Answer to previous puzzle

3	7	1	8	9	4	2	6	5
9	8	5	1	2	6	4	7	3
4	2	6	5	3	7	1	8	9
8	5	3	9	7	2	6	4	1
2	1	9	6	4	8	3	5	7
7	6	4	3	1	5	8	9	2
6	4	2	7	5	1	9	3	8
1	9	7	4	8	3	5	2	6
5	3	8	2	6	9	7	1	4

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

BCIIGBB ISUBXBOB SV TSXUT VPSA VQXKCPG OS

VQXKCPG LXONSCO KSBB SV GUONCBXQBA.

TODAY'S CLUE: B EQUALS S

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: Life is like a prism. What you see depends on how you turn the glass.

MOVIE LOVERS

NOW SHOWING - SINGLE SCREEN THEATRES

- **Sangam Theatre** — **Ph: 2520494**
  Dhamaka (Te) - 2 Shows; *Laththi (Ta)* - 2 Shows
- **Rajkamal Theatre** — **Ph: 2423554**
  Vedha (K) - 4 Shows
- **Mahadeshwara Theatre** — **Mob: 99008-20093**
  Vedha (K) - 4 Shows
- **Thibbadevi Theatre** — **Ph: 2452958**
  Vedha (K) - 4 Shows
- **Padma Theatre** — **Ph: 2521923**
  Vedha (K) - 4 Shows
- **Lido Theatre** — **Ph: 2420885**
  Cirkus (H) - 4 Shows
- **Gayathri Theatre** — **Ph: 2443568**
  Temper (K) - 4 Shows
- **Woodlands Theatre** — **Ph: 2422871**
  Kantara (K) - 4 Shows
- **Prabha Theatre** — **Mob: 98454-14691**
  Kantara (K) - 4 Shows
- **Balaji Theatre** — **Ph: 2497199**
  Kantara (H) - 4 Shows
- **Uma Theatre** — **Ph: 2520009**
  Day and Someone (Te) - 4 Shows

DRC CINEMAS — Ph: 4240422, 4241800

Vedha (K)	(S-1)	7.00 am, 10.05 am, 1.05 pm
	(S-2)	7.05 pm
Kantara (K)	(S-1)	4.15 pm
Dhamaka (Te)	(S-1)	7.10 pm, 10.00 pm
Avatar: The way of water (E-3D)	(S-2)	9.50 am
	(S-4)	10.55 am, 2.35 pm
		6.15 pm, 9.50 pm
Connect (Ta)	(S-2)	1.40 pm
18 pages (Te)	(S-2)	4.05 pm
Kaapa (Ma)	(S-2)	10.05 pm
Hosa Dinachari (K)	(S-3)	10.45 am
Cirkus (H)	(S-3)	1.20 pm, 7.05 pm, 9.55 pm
Vishal in Laththi Charge (Ta)	(S-3)	4.10 pm

MYSURU VISION CINEMAS — Ph: 0821 - 2973519

Vedha (K)	:	10.00 am, 1.05 pm, 3.35 pm
		6.40 pm, 9.40 pm
Dhamaka (Te)	:	10.10 am, 4.05 pm
Vishal in Laththi Charge (Ta)	:	10.30 am, 9.25 pm
Cirkus (H)	:	12.50 pm, 4.20 pm, 9.45 pm
18 Pages (Te)	:	1.20 pm, 7.05 pm
Kaapa (Ma)	:	1.40 pm, 6.45 pm
Connect (Ta)	:	4.10 pm
Avatar: The way of water (K-3D)	:	6.15 pm, 9.50 pm

PVR CINEMAS — 4K Dolby 7.1

Nexus Centre City Mall, 2nd Floor. Mob: 8951357139

Vedha (K)	:	9 am, 3.30 pm, 6.50 pm, 10.10 pm
Cirkus (H)	:	9.55 am, 12.20 pm, 1.00 pm
		4.05 pm, 7.10 pm, 10.15 pm
Dhamaka (Te)	:	10.00 am, 4.00 pm, 10.00 pm
18 pages (Te)	:	1.00 pm, 7.00 pm
Vishal in Laththi Charge (Ta)	:	10.20 am, 4.20 pm, 9.45 pm
Connect (Ta)	:	7.25 pm
Kaapa (Ma)	:	1.25 pm
Avatar: The way of water (3D-E)	:	9.45 am, 10.45 am, 1.40 pm
		2.40 pm, 5.35 pm, 6.35 pm
		9.30 pm, 10.30 pm

1st Floor, Garuda Mall. Mob: 9901373210

Vedha (K)	:	8 am, 12.45 pm, 7.10 pm, 10.30 pm
Cirkus (H)	:	9.40 am, 4.05 pm
		7.10 pm, 10.15 pm
Avatar: The way of water (E-3D)	:	9.45 am, 11.20 am, 1.40 pm
		3.15 pm, 5.35 pm, 9.30 pm
18 Pages (Te)	:	9.55 am, 3.55 pm
Dhamaka (Te)	:	12.55 pm, 10.00 pm
Vishal in Laththi Charge (Ta)	:	6.55 pm

EVENTS TODAY (DEC. 29)

- **JSS Mahavidyapeetha - JSS Institute of Speech and Hearing:** Graduation Day 2022, NIMHANS (Bengaluru) Director Dr. Pratima Murthy chief guest, JSS Mahavidyapeetha Executive Secretary Dr. C.G. Betsurmath presides, JSS Mahavidyapeetha Medical Education Division Director R. Mahesh guest of honour, Sri Rajendra Centenary Auditorium, JSS Hospital, **4 pm.**
- **Children's Literary Club, Mysuru:** '100 years of completion of T.S. Eliot's The Waste Land' by Dr. R. Purnima, formerly Professor of English, KSOU and presently, Director, Children's Literary Club, Mysuru, Chamundi Children's Home, II Stage Brindavan Extension, **5.30 pm.**
- **Desiranga Samskrutika Samsthe, Mysuru, Directorate of Kannada & Culture, Bengaluru and Kannada Department, Maharani's Women's Commerce and Management College, Mysuru:** Valedictory of Theatre and Dance Festival, thinker Prof. Kalegowda Nagawara inaugurates, Kannada & Culture Joint Director V.N. Mallikarjunaswamy presides, Maharani's Women's Commerce and Management College Kannada Department Head Prof. Mysore Krishnamurthy and Camp Director Krishna Janamana chief guests; Staging of play 'Yatre,' Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, **6 pm.**
- **Sree Andal Mandiram Trust and Hebbar Sreevyshnava Rural District Upa Sabha, Mysuru:** Dhanurmasa Puja, Discourse on 'Thiruppavai' by Vid. M.K. Shelvanarayana, Mandiram premises, Temple Road, V.V. Mohalla, **6 pm to 7.30 pm.**
- **Chinmaya Mission:** Krishna Rao Prakash delivers discourse on 'Pratah: Smaranam,' Yajnashale, Datta Sannidhi, Chinmaya Mission, Gokulam, **6 pm.**
- **Sri Ramakrishna Ashram:** Swami Jnanayoganandaji speaks on 'Adhyatma Ramayana,' Ashram premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**
- **Sri Mahajana Sabha:** Tirupavai Kalakshepa (discourse) by Vid. Mudumbai Ramanuja Sharma, Sri Krishnamurthypuram Sri Rama Mandira, Kantaraja Urs Road, **6.15 pm to 7.15 pm.**
- **Hebbar Sri Vaishnava Upasabha, K.R. Vanam:** Tirupavai Kalakshepa (discourse) by Dr. N.K. Ramasheshan, Dr. Kamalaraman Mandira, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Road, **6.15 pm to 7.30 pm.**
- **Sri Venugopalaswamy Temple:** Discourse on 'Thiruppavai' by Vidu. B.K. Seethalakshmi, Temple premises, Tyagaraja Road, near Sai Baba Mandira, **6.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (DEC. 30)

- **Sarada Vilas PU College, Mysuru:** 'Samashti' – annual sports meet - 2022, Prof. S. Madialagan, Department of Studies in Physical Education and Sports Science, University of Mysore, chief guest, Sarada Vilas Educational Institutions President Dr. B.M. Subraya and Hon. Secretary N. Chandrashekar, special invitees, Principal C.K. Ashokkumar presides, Sports grounds, college premises, Krishnamurthypuram, **8.30 am.**
- **Sri Venugopalaswamy Temple:** Dhanurmasa special pujas, Shattu Murai, Mahamangalarathi, **5 am to 6.30 am;** Discourse on 'Thiruppavai' by Vidu. B.K. Seethalakshmi, Temple premises, Tyagaraja Road, near Sai Baba Mandira, **6.30 pm.**
- **Suprabha Nagesh Rao Seva Pratishtana:** Solo recitation (108 times) 'Vishnu Sahasranama' for World Peace, #622, 2nd Main, 2nd Cross, Sharadadevinagar, **8 am to 10 pm.**
- **Department of Kannada and Culture, Bengaluru:** Solo painting expo by Narasimhulu P. Byageri, Sri Kalanikethana Art Gallery, Vijayanagar 1st Stage, **10 am to 5 pm.**
- **Manava Hakkugala Seva Samiti:** Human Rights Day programme, conferring of 'Sadhaka Ratna' award on achievers from various fields, Town Hall, **10.30 am.**
- **Cauvery Karnataka Pradeshika Samskrutika mattu Sahitya Academy:** Inauguration of State-level Association and Seminar on 'Cauvery Karnataka,' conferring of 'Cauvery Karnataka Ratna Award' and 'Academy Award,' Town Hall, **2 pm to 7 pm.**
- **Swaralaya Sangeetha Samsthe, Mysuru and Kannada & Culture Department, Bengaluru:** Swaralaya Cultural Fest 2022-23, invocation by R. Anagha, music teacher Vid. C. Chethan inaugurates, music teacher Vidu. Chandrika chief guest, Swaralaya Founder-President Vidu. Dr. Suma Harinath presides; Tribal dance by institution students, classical vocal music concert by R.P. Koushik, Bharatanatyam by Kalarpanam troupe, director - Jayashri Tolpadi, Vid. C. Chethan on violin and Vid. V. Shya on mridanga will accompany for classical music, Swaralaya Secretary H.S. Srikantamani comperes, Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, **4.30 pm.**
- **Kodava Samaja Cultural and Sports Club, Mysuru:** 18th Annual General Body Meeting (AGM), Club President Kuttimada D. Muthappa presides, Gurumane Hall, Kodava Samaja, Vijayanagar 1st Stage, **5 pm.**
- **Gopalaswamy Shishuvihara:** School anniversary celebrations, KSOU Kannada Professor Dr. Jyothi Shankar chief guest, Maharaja Education Trust President Dr. S. Murali presides, Swamy Vivekananda Rangamantapa, institution premises, Lakshmipuram, **5 pm.**
- **Nrityagiri, Mysuru and Department of Kannada & Culture, Bengaluru:** Valedictory of Silver Jubilee Year, Suttur Seer graces the occasion and releases the book 'Gejje-Hejje' Nrityagiri-25 (Edited by Dr. Deepa Phadke), writer Divakar Hegde speaks about the book, Ganabharathi Hon. Chief Patron Dr. C.G. Narasimhan presides, Kannada & Culture Assistant Director Dr. M.D. Sudarshan and writer from Mandya Dr. Pradeep Kumar Hebri chief guests, **6 pm;** Bharatanatyam by Nrityagiri students, accompanied by Vidu. Sameeksha Manukumar on natuvanga, Vid. Vikram Bharadwaj on mridaga, Pooja Sugam on vocal, Vid. A.P. Krishna Prasad on flute, Vidu. Roopashri Madhusudan comperes, Ganabharathi, **7 pm.** [Mob: 94487-70741]
- **Sugama Sangeetha Academy Trust:** Swara Lahari, vocal concert by B.R. Alap and Divya Sachi, accompanied by Shanmukha Sajja on keyboard, Atmaram on tabla and Vinay Rangadol on rhythm pad, RamaGovinda Rangamandira, Ramakrishnanagar, **6 pm.**
- **Nadaranga, Mysuru and Department of Kannada & Culture, Bengaluru:** Natakotsava, theatre director Rangaswamy of Rangananda Kalasangha, Mysuru, speaks; Staging of Dr. H.K. Ramanath's children's play 'Matte Badukiri' by Sri Gurukala Shale, Mysuru, directed by H.S. Kavitha, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, **6.45 pm.**

INOX LIVE the MOVIE

Mall of Mysore - Mob. : 7829999465

Avatar: The way of water (3D-E)	(S-1)	9.45 am, 1.40 pm
		5.35 pm, 9.30 pm
	(S-4)	11.00 am, 10.30 pm
Dhamaka (Te)	(S-4)	7.35 pm
Vishal in Laththi Charge (Ta)	(S-3)	10.00 pm
Cirkus (H)	(S-2)	10.00 am, 7.15 pm, 10.10 pm
	(S-3)	3.55 pm
Connect (Ta)	(S-4)	2.50 pm
Hosa Dinachari (K)	(S-4)	5.05 pm
Vedha (K)	(S-2)	12.55 pm, 4.05 pm
	(S-3)	9.55 am, 6.50 pm
18 pages (Te)	(S-3)	1.00 pm

INOX Centro Mysore - Mob. : 9606976757

Avatar: The way of water (3D-E) (with English Atmos)	(S-2)	11.00 am, 2.50 pm
		6.40 pm, 10.30 pm
Avatar: The way of water (3D-E)	(S-3)	9.30 am, 9.30 pm
Vedha (K)	(S-1)	9.55 am, 1.05 pm
		7.10 pm, 10.20 pm
Cirkus (H)	(S-4)	10.25 am, 1.20 pm
		4.15 pm, 10.00 pm
18 Pages (Te)	(S-1)	4.15 pm
Vishal in Laththi Charge (Ta)	(S-3)	1.20 pm
Connect (Ta)	(S-3)	4.20 pm
Dhamaka (Te)	(S-3)	6.35 pm
Kaapa (Ma)	(S-4)	7.10 pm

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